

SENATE RESOLUTION 33

By Ramsey

A RESOLUTION to appoint Mr. Jerry W. Scott to the Tennessee Peace Officer Standards and Training (POST) Commission.

WHEREAS, pursuant to Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 38-8-102, the Tennessee Peace Officer Standards and Training Commission (POST Commission) was established; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the POST Commission is, among other things, to assist the Governor in developing, planning, and implementing law enforcement training programs for all law enforcement officers in Tennessee, and additionally to receive, administer, and expend local, state, federal, and other monetary assistance to further the training of law enforcement officers in this State; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 38-8-102(b)(1)(F), authorizes the Senate to appoint one (1) citizen to serve on the POST Commission; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Jerry W. Scott is one of the most highly qualified individuals that this body could ever hope to appoint to the Peace Officer Standards and Training Commission; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Scott is a person of integrity and an active citizen whose benevolence, acumen, and strong commitment to law enforcement have helped to enhance the well being of this State and its citizens; and

WHEREAS, prior to retiring in January 2003, Jerry W. Scott devoted nearly thirty-five years of his life to the worthy mission of the Tennessee Highway Patrol (THP); and

WHEREAS, beginning his illustrious law enforcement career as a State Trooper in 1968, Jerry Scott rapidly ascended through the ranks of the Tennessee Highway Patrol, being promoted to Sergeant in 1974, Lieutenant in 1979, and Captain in 1983; and

WHEREAS, in his first assignment as Captain, he served as the chief administrative officer for the Fourth District, which consisted of eleven West Tennessee counties and was headquartered in Memphis; and

WHEREAS, Captain Scott later served with distinction as the Director of both the Pupil Transportation Division and the Support Services Division of the THP; and

WHEREAS, in February 1995, Jerry Scott attained the pinnacle of his profession when he was promoted to Deputy Commissioner of Safety and Colonel of the Tennessee Highway Patrol; for the next seven and one-half years, he excelled at planning, organizing, staffing, directing, and coordinating all enforcement activities of the THP and its more than 900 officers and employees; and

WHEREAS, he then served astutely as Commissioner of the Department of Safety prior to taking a much deserved retirement; and

WHEREAS, a Vietnam veteran, Jerry Scott proudly served his country as a Sergeant in the United States Marine Corps, 5th Marine Infantry Division, Nuclear Weapon Security, *U.S.S. Intrepid*; and

WHEREAS, also a twenty-year veteran of the Tennessee Air National Guard, he served in the NCOIC Security Police Training Section/164th Weapons System Security Flight, and retired at the rank of Master Sergeant; and

WHEREAS, a native of Tatumville, Dyer County, Mr. Scott is a devoted family man who enjoys the love and companionship he shares with his wife, Anita, and their four children and ten grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, he presently resides in Rutherford County, where he owns and operates Southern Promise Farm; and

WHEREAS, we are certain that Mr. Scott would render stellar service to the State of Tennessee as a member of the Peace Officer Standards and Training Commission and wish to appoint him to this important position; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that in accordance with Tennessee Code

Annotated, Section 38-8-102, Mr. Jerry W. Scott is hereby appointed to serve as a member of the Tennessee Peace Officer Standards and Training Commission.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that enrolled copies of this resolution be transmitted to the Chairman and Executive Secretary of the Tennessee Peace Officer Standards and Training Commission.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation to Mr. Scott, with the final two resolving clauses omitted from such copy.